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TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC 2274

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FOR NEA/EX WILLIAMSON FROM CONNALLY

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT : NEW CHANCERY FOR MANAMA

1. EMBASSY MANAMA FACING HAVING TO JUDGE ACCEPTABILITY ON MAJOR RENOVATION PROJECT NEW CHANCERY WHICH COULD EASILY TURN INTO A CATASTROPHE WITHOUT CONSTANT ON SITE QUALIFIED AMERICAN SUPERVISION WHICH CANNOT BE PROVIDED PRESENT ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF. SUGGEST, IF POSSIBLE, DETAIL OF SEABEE TO MANAMA ASAP UNTIL APPROXIMATELY END NOVEMBER. IF SEABEE CANNOT BE SPARED FROM SECURITY PROGRAM, SUGGEST SEPARATE NON-REIMBURSABLE DETAIL FROM NAVY TO STATE. POST CAN PROVIDE HOUSING.

2. UNDERSTAND USIS PLANNING OPEN OFFICE MANAMA BY MOVING JUNIOR OFFICER POSITION FROM KUWAIT. NEW CHANCERY CAN ACCOMMODATE USIS OFFICER AND POST HAS RESERVED APPROXIMATELY 1100 SQUARE FEET OF SPACE NEW CHANCERY. BELIEVE USIA SHOULD BE REQUESTED CONTRIBUTE TO COSTS THIS RENOVATION PROJECT. FYI FOLLOWING ARE ADDITIONAL FORESEEABLE COSTS THIS RENOVATION PROJECT WHICH WILL REQUIRE 1976 FUNDING AND WHICH COULD BE USIS SHARE OF COSTS:

\$7500 SECURITY ITEMS NOT COVERED BY 1975 FUNDS

6000 ADDITIONAL ELECTRICAL WORK

5000 TRANSPORTATION AND REDUCED PER DIEM

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FOR SEABEE (SEE PARA 1)

10000 UNFORESEEN CONTINGENCIES

28500 TOTAL

A \$28,500 AMOUNT FOR RENOVATED SPACE TO BE OCCUPIED RENT

FREE BY USIS FOR TWO YEARS IS BARGAIN BASEMENT PRICE.

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